

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Nancy Ballance, on February 14, 2017 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 102 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Randy Brodehl, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Kelly McCarthy, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Dan Bartel (R)
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Rep. Rob Cook (R)
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)
Rep. Janet Ellis (D)
Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund (R)
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Jon A. Knokey (R)
Rep. Ryan Lynch (D)
Rep. Jimmy Patelis (R)
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)
Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D)
Rep. Brad Tschida (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Nancy Ballance, Chair (R)
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)
Rep. Donald W. Jones (R)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Joe Triem, Legislative Branch
Sherri Row, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 62, 2/13/2017; HB 77, 2/13/2017; HB 302, 2/13/2017; HB 335, 2/13/2017

00:00:11 Chair Ballance relinquished the chair to Rep. Holmlund

HEARING ON HB 62

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:28 Rep. Randy Brodehl (R), HD 9, opened the hearing on HB 62, Dept. of Revenue to collect fees for public defender services.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:02:50 Amy Sassano, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:03:48 Steve Austin, Department of Revenue (DOR)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:04:24 Rep. Brodehl

HEARING ON HB 77

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:04:53 Rep. Randy Brodehl (R), HD 9, opened the hearing on HB 77, Revise public defender system and provide for a director hired by DOA.

00:07:27 Rep. Glimm joined the meeting

Proponents' Testimony:

00:07:34 Amy Sassano, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)

00:08:50 Rep. Jones joined the meeting

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:09:33 Rep. Ellis

00:10:12 Rep. Brodehl

00:10:19 Rep. Cuffe

00:10:44 Rep. Brodehl

00:11:30 Rep. Cuffe

00:12:18 Rep. Dudik

00:12:39 Rep. Brodehl

Closing by Sponsor:

00:13:16 Rep. Brodehl

HEARING ON HB 302

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:13:57 Rep. Moffie Funk (D), HD 82, opened the hearing on HB 302, Revise laws related to payment of costs at county detention centers.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:14:44 Eric Bryson, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)
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00:17:38 Brian Thompson, Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association (MSPOA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:18:15 Vice Chair McCarthy
00:21:13 Vice Chair Brodehl
00:21:55 Rep. Funk
00:23:18 Rep. Patelis
00:24:43 Rep. Funk
00:25:22 Eric Bryson, MACo
00:27:32 Rep. Dudik
00:28:35 Eric Bryson, MACo
00:28:49 Rep. Dudik
00:28:53 Rep. Woods joined the meeting
00:29:21 Eric Bryson, MACo
00:30:18 Rep. Dudik
00:30:34 Eric Bryson, MACo
00:31:17 Vice Chair Brodehl
00:31:42 Rep. Keane
00:32:03 Eric Bryson, MACo
00:32:15 Rep. Lynch
00:34:53 Eric Bryson, MACo

Closing by Sponsor:

00:35:09 Rep. Funk

HEARING ON HB 335

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:35:44 Rep. Jeremy Trebas (R), HD 25, opened the hearing on HB 335, Provide exemption from income tax withholding.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:37:49 Aaron McNay, Department of Revenue (DOR)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:38:15 Rep. Tschida

00:38:42 Rep. Trebas

00:38:59 Rep. Tschida

00:39:10 Aaron McNay, DOR

00:40:01 Rep. Tschida

00:40:59 Aaron McNay, DOR

Closing by Sponsor:

00:41:28 Rep. Trebas

00:42:42 Chair Holmlund

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:43:13

Sherri Row, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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